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HALIDE FOR
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

In response to the Office Action dated July 26, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the "final" rejection of the claims of the present application. The claims of this application have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) for obviousness and under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

I. In paragraph 2 of the Office Action, Claims 1-4, 9-15, and 23-27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over the combination of U.S. 5,891,615 (Winslow et al.), U.S. Patent 6,274,297 (Uytterhoeven et al.), and U.S. Patent 3,457,075 (Morgan et al.).

II. In paragraph 3 of the Office Action, Claims 6-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Winslow et al.,